

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 794

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Billy Gayle Barber of Byrdstown.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Billy Gayle Barber; and

WHEREAS, Billy Gayle Barber was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barber was born to the late Herlan G. and Nancy O. Pemberton Barber in Albany, Kentucky, on March 8, 1937; and

WHEREAS, for more than thirty years, Billy Barber served with acumen and alacrity as a teacher with the Pickett County School System, in which position he earned the respect of his peers, superiors, and students alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a man of faith, Mr. Barber was an active and devout member of the Bloomington Christian Church; and

WHEREAS, he was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Billy Barber will be fondly remembered by his wife of sixty years, Oleta Holt Barber; his children and their spouses, Deborah and John Schneider, Nancy and Brooks Smith, and Jared and Julia Barber; his grandchildren, Jessica, Erica, Patty, Shelby, Lukas, Meredith, Dylan, and Caroline; his nieces and nephews; his extended family; and his many friends; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, Mr. Barber was preceded in death by his brothers, Lester Barber, Earl Barber, Freelan Barber, and Dannie Barber; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barber leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Billy Gayle Barber, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Barber.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.